

## AID PROGRAMS 1971-72

Non-profit organizations active in international development received nearly \$12 million from the Canadian International Development Agency to help finance 421 projects in 74 countries in the 1971-72 fiscal year.

The organizations themselves raised, from private sources, more than twice the CIDA contributions, to bring the total for all programs to more than \$37 million.

Canadian non-government organizations involved in international development represent the efforts and contributions of thousands of Canadians to assist the Third World.

In Paraguay, for example, the Mennonite Central Committee is helping 1,000 nomadic aborigine families to settle on farms. Supported by a \$44,000-CIDA grant for the first year, the Committee is engaged in a \$358,000 three-year project to establish agricultural co-operatives, schools and health services.

In the Philippines, the Responsible Parenthood Council, with the backing of the Governor and the Bishop, is teaching family planning to couples in Tarlac Province. A CIDA grant of \$20,000 matches a contribution from Oxfam of Canada for the scheme to this entirely indigenous group.

In Africa, both the smallest and largest private

projects supported by CIDA were begun in 1971. The Canadian Catholic Organizations for Development and Peace received \$300 to purchase bicycles for social workers in Dahomey. A contribution of \$315,000 was authorized to help the Frères des Ecoles chrétiennes (Brothers of the Christian Schools) build and equip an extension to their technical-vocational school in Douala, Cameroun.

CIDA's support to private organizations is usually made on a matching-grant basis up to 50 per cent of the total cost of a project. It launched the program in 1967.

The largest grant in 1971-72 - \$4.85 million - went to the Canadian University Service Overseas (CUSO), which raised nearly \$8 million in other funds, goods and services, to place 1,250 volunteers in 40 countries. The Canadian Executive Service Overseas (CESO) received \$682,500 toward a \$2.3-million program with 151 volunteers in 20 countries.

CIDA contributions by area, with number of projects in brackets, were: Asia, \$1.1 million (61); English-speaking Africa and the Middle East, \$929,000 (86); French-speaking Africa, \$945,000 (61); South America, \$863,000 (63); Central America \$224,000 (22). The remainder went to multinational and "in-Canada" projects.

## NEW GRAIN COMMISSION BUILDING

Agriculture Minister H.A. (Bud) Olson joined Public Works Minister J.E. Dubé and Supply and Services Minister J.A. Richardson at the laying of the cornerstone of the Canadian Grain Commission Building in Winnipeg, Manitoba on May 12.

The \$5,800,000-building, which is being constructed by the federal Department of Public Works, should be ready later this year.

The Canadian Grain Commission is responsible for the administration of the Canada Grain Act, and for the general supervision of grain-grading and handling in Canada.

H.D. Pound is chief commissioner, assisted by assistant chief commissioner C.L. Shuttleworth, and commissioner F.M. Hetland.

While the headquarters of the Commission is in Winnipeg, administrative and clerical, chemists, technicians, weighmen, inspectors and other specialists are located at 17 centres across Canada.

*An artist's drawing of the new Canadian Grain Commission building in Winnipeg, which will be ready later this year. This building will also house the new International Grains Institute.*

